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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified U.S. patent application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims 26-32.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction/election requirement mailed March 21, 2000, applicant hereby elects the claims of Group II and Species A. This species is shown in Figs. 1 and 2, as noted by the Examiner, but also is shown in Figs. 3 and 4.

Enclosed is a copy of a Preliminary Amendment dated March 2, 2000, together with a copy of a return postcard sent with the Amendment indicating actual receipt of the Amendment in the Patent Office on March 7, 2000.

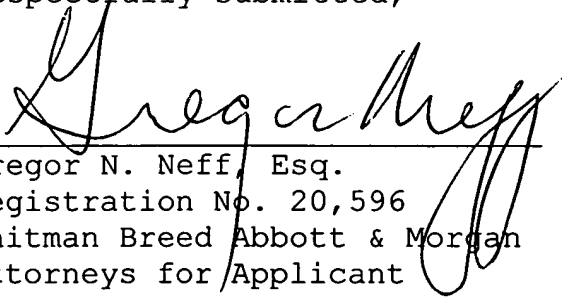
This Preliminary Amendment apparently had not reached the Examiner's desk before he prepared the Official Action of March 21st.

It is respectfully requested that these new claims be examined together with the claims of Group II and Species A, because they are directed to generally the same subject matter.

All of the pending claims, except for Claims 20 through 25, read on Species A.

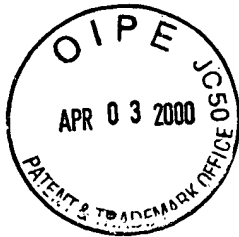
An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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In the Matter of Application of Roberts/Ticket Dispensing ...

The following due timely in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, was received thereby

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